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**2017 CHAMPION OF TECHNOLOGY AWARDS  
ANNOUNCES NEW NOMINATION DEADLINE - FEBRUARY 10TH**

**(SACRAMENTO, CA)** – The California State Fair is extending the nomination period for the 2017 Champion of Technology Awards to February 10th. Two technology champions will be selected for remarkable contributions to California's technology industry; one in the Individual Category, one in the Project/Organization Category. The nominee can be from any technology industry and sector (public, private, or foundation).

The nominees will be judged on outstanding technological contribution to the State of California and innovation that has made a difference in the lives of Californians. The 2016 Champion of Technology Award recipients were: Eric Brown, President and CEO of California Telehealth Network; Emergency Call and Tracking System by Direct Technology. The 2017 winners will receive their Champion of Technology awards at the annual State Fair Gala on Thursday, June 22, 2017.

Since 1854, the California State Fair has showcased the best of the best, including the progress and advancements of the state's strongest industries. Now in 2017, the California State Fair celebrates the 50th anniversary at the Cal Expo site. On this golden year, and as California continues to lead the world in innovation and technological achievements, the California State Fair is honored to present the Champion of Technology Awards.

**AWARDS:**

- Champion of Technology Award, Individual Category
- Champion of Technology Award, Project/Organization

**ELIGIBILITY:** Open to California residents and organizations/businesses headquartered in California.

**NOMINATION INSTRUCTIONS:** Download the nomination form [here](#) or click the button below. The forms and supporting documentation must be e-mailed by Friday, February 10, 2017 to both:

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## NOMINATION FORMS

### About the California State Fair

For more than 160 years, the California State Fair has showcased the best of the Golden State. During the 2016 State Fair at Cal Expo nearly 675,000 people experienced the best and made memories that will last a lifetime. Cal Expo was dedicated as a place to celebrate California's achievements, industries, agriculture, diversity of its people, traditions and trends that shape the Golden State's future. As such, the California State Fair is honored to celebrate its 50th anniversary at Cal Expo in 2017. Join us for the California State Fair July 14 - 30, 2017.

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